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In the application of: John C. Ford

Attorney Docket No.: VAMSP002  
(8064.002US0)

Application No.: 09/591,089

Examiner: B. Szmal

Filed: June 9, 2000

Group: 3736

Title: BRACHYTHERAPY APPARATUS  
AND METHODS

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

Applicant(s) hereby petition for a two month extension of time to respond to the aforementioned Office Action.

Applicant(s) believe that no additional Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. VAMSP002).

Enclosed is our Check No. 5266 in the amount of \$400 to cover the extension of time fees.

Please charge the required fees, or any additional fees required to facilitate filing the enclosed response, to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. \_\_\_\_\_).

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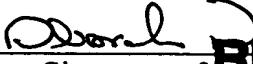
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**AMENDMENT "A"**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 20, 2001 in the above-referenced application, regarding which it is hereby requested with the payment of a fee to extend the period for response by two months to February 20, 2002, applicant amends the application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Amend claim 1 as follows:

*Feb 21*  
1. (Amended) An apparatus for use with a human body for brachytherapy

VAMS P002